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INVENTOR(S): Gibson, et al.

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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/000,404

Confirmation No.: 9086

Filing Date: Oct. 31, 2001

Examiner: Thang V. Tran

Title: DATA STORAGE MEDIA AND METHODS UTILIZING A LAYER ADJACENT THE  
STORAGE LAYER

Group Art Unit: 2653

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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(X) Response/Amendment ( ) Petition to extend time to respond  
( ) New fee as calculated below ( ) Supplemental Declaration  
(X) No additional fee  
( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_ (fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_)

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(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEES
TOTAL CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$50	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$200	\$ 0
[ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$360	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$120.00	2ND MONTH \$450.00	3RD MONTH \$1020.00	4TH MONTH \$1590.00		\$ 0
OTHER FEES						\$ 0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

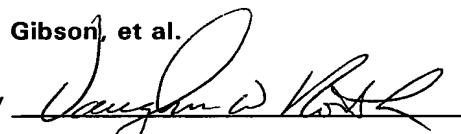
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Respectfully submitted,

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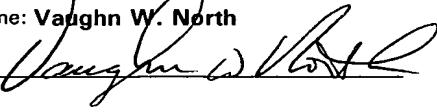
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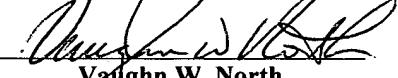
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Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action, mailed October 5, 2004, Applicant offers the following Amendment and requests reconsideration of the above-captioned application.